

FAILURE TO SIGNAL CAUSES ACCIDENTS

Motor Truck Drivers and
Others Accused of Ignoring
Police Regulations.

Drivers of motor trucks, horse-drawn vehicles and motor cycles in Washington frequently draw upon themselves the ill-will of operators of passenger cars by their failure to signal when turning or stopping. Whereas, it is only very seldom that operators of passenger cars fail to signal for a turn or to slow down or stop, quite frequently operators of any of the other three classes of vehicles fail to give any kind of signal that would be a warning to the motorist.

This laxity has several times resulted in accidents, some serious and all involving property damage. Failure to signal for a turn, either to right or left or to wig-wag with the hand when stopping or slowing down is in direct violation of the police regulations, and the operator who finds himself in difficulty or in an accident when making a turn after having failed to make the proper signal has only himself to blame.

A recent accident caused by failure of a driver to signal happened on Rhode Island avenue early one morning when a milk wagon was struck by an automobile seeking to pass on the left, and was overturned. The driver of the wagon died of his injuries. He had failed to signal for a left turn and was struck by the automobile.

Signals at the intersection of streets and avenues, where there is some times

a circle or mark in the center of the crossing are more necessary than at any other place. One-way traffic around circles does not make the driver less culpable in case of an accident, due to failure to signal. Large trucks some times have inclosed bodies mounted on them, and it is difficult for the driver to see the traffic behind or at the side of his own vehicle. The mere size of his vehicle probably causes a feeling in his mind of security and a "they don't dare hit me" attitude. It isn't a matter of don't dare, it is a mere matter of public safety and safety of property. Failure to give the proper signal may cause a smash-up causing considerable damage.

Truck drivers, however, are not alone to blame. Drivers of horse-drawn vehicles are frequently lax in the matter of signaling. The same responsibility rests on them as on the driver of any other vehicle. Nor are motor cycle operators free from blame in some cases. The ease with which their vehicle may be operated should make them particularly careful, although their unobstructed view makes them less likely to be hit by a passing car.

NEGLECTED PART OF CAR.

Proper Lubrication Needed for
Clutch Operating Mechanism.

One of the most commonly neglected parts of the car, so far as lubrication goes, is the clutch-operating mechanism. In the case of disc clutches running in oil, the lubrication of the thrust collar and the lever operating it is automatic. But with clutches that do not operate in a bath of oil the thrust collar and lever require oiling by hand. The service of these parts is exacting and frequent lubrication of the ball thrust bearing and the end of the lever which actuates it is necessary. Furthermore, the bearing of the clutch pedal and the pins which secure the clutch operating linkage should be frequently lubricated.

AUTOMOTIVE BRIEFS.

A price reduction, effective September 2, 1921, of from \$200 to \$300, has been announced by the Westcott Motor Company.

Ralf K. Mulford will again drive in the world's championship hill climb races, September 5, at Colorado Springs, Col., over the automobile highway to the top of Pike's Peak. Mulford now holds the record for this course, eighteen minutes and twenty-four seconds, made in 1916, and will attempt to lower it this year in a Paige car.

Guy Stewart of Stewart's Garage, local Ford dealer, has gone on a ten-day vacation.

The Templar Motor Company of this city announced that it has added to its line, the Sheridan car, a General Motors product. New cars of various models have arrived, and are on show at the display room, 14th and T street northwest.

The Ford Motor Company of Detroit

made the following announcement: "Our attention has been called to recent newspaper articles, etc., to the effect that there is to be a new model Ford car on the market August 15, with a change in design to a ventilating windshield and one-man top. As we do not contemplate any such change and there is no foundation to the rumors circulated in this connection, we have no hesitancy in making a denial of the report."

The new closed model Reos are now on display at the Trew Motor Company's showrooms, 14th and T streets northwest.

The Reo Motor Company of Lansing, Mich., announced a price reduction of \$200 on roadsters and touring cars and \$140 on the Reo speed wagon. No reductions were made on the closed models.

Takes Dangerous Ride.

One of the most dangerous rides yet on record is that of an intrepid motor cyclist of Los Angeles, who recently mounted and rode the famous Bouquet canyon syphon of the Los Angeles aqueduct. This watermain is an immense round metal pipe

which provides a riding surface on top of only six inches, with a drop of twenty feet on either side.

Putting Tube in Place.

Many cases of tire trouble are due simply to the fact that the tube has not been properly inserted. The first thing to do when putting in a tube is to give the bridge nut at the base of the valve stem above the metal plate a tightening twist with a pair of pliers. When the tube is inside the car-

ing, jar the tire a few times to seat it firmly. After the tire is mounted and fully inflated, fasten securely the rim nut which works around the valve stem above the rim. Care in fitting the tube will save many a pinch and flat later.

Cranking With Wheel.

In cases where the starter is out of business and the crank handle is not available it is possible to start the engine by jacking up the rear wheels

blocking the front wheels, and then shifting into high, after which the cylinders are primed, the spark and throttle are set, and the engine is cranked by turning a rear wheel. In doing this the operator should take hold of the tire rather than the spokes, and must be careful not to get caught when the wheels start to revolve.

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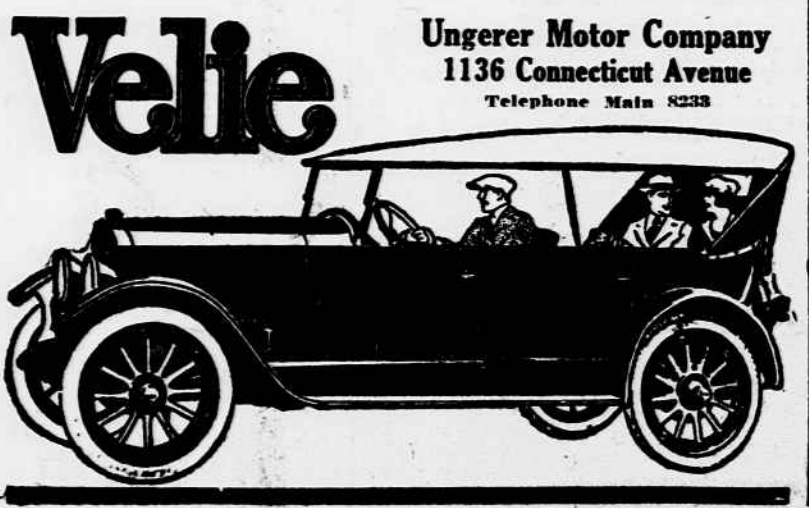
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It's just like that with these Weegee Board separators. They're all right if you don't believe in them too often, or too long, or too much. For after all they're nothing but timber. The little old board says, "Will I puncture now and tie this guy up or will I wait?" Then along where the houses get scarce and the road bad, and a storm coming on, Weegee says to herself something that sounds like "Eventually, why not now?" and splits wide open. Dead? You said it!

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